John P[owers] Armstrong, Sept. 4, 1877 - April 21, 1953

John P. Armstrong, retired mail carrier, and a former Grayville resident, died April 21 at Midland, TX, it has been learned here. The body was returned to Greenville, TX for burial. Mr. Armstrong spent 35 years in the mail service before retiring in 1947 because of ill health. Surviving is his wife, the former Mabel Goodrich of Grayville.

William Alf Johnson, 1878 - May 14, 1953

Funeral services for William Alf Johson, 75, who died last Thursday morning, were held Saturday afternoon at the Sturm Funeral home here. Rev. Jack H. Boelens, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, officiated at the services. Burial was in Oak Grove cemetery.

A life-long resident of Grayville, Mr. Johnson was a retired builder. For 26 years, he was superintendent of the Eastwood Sand & Gravel works. He served one term as city commissioner during World War II. Mr. Johnson, who was widely known in this area, was a member of the First Presbyterian Church and the American War Dads. He was one of the last two charter members of the old IOOF lodge here.

Surviving are his wife, Rose; three sons, Don and Frederick, of Grayville, Harold, of South Bend, IN; a daughter, Mrs. Guy Jarboe, of Grayville; seven grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren. Pallbearers for the services were Ben Foose, Robly Glover, James Pearson, Carl Baun, Tom Tillett, and R.M. Eastwood.

Hugh William Butler Sr., Sept. 17, 1906 - May 23, 1953

Hugh William Butler, Sr., 47, a former Grayville resident, died May 23 at San Diego, CA, where he was stationed with the navy, according to word received here Saturday. Funeral services were conducted in San Diego. Burial was in Ft. Rosecrans national cemetery.

Born in Grayville, Mr. Butler was the son of Mr. and Mrs. J.P. Butler. He leaves his mother, the former Eliza Blair, and two brothers, John and Robert.

George H. Staley, Jan. 11, 1896 - May 28, 1953

George H. Staley, 57, former Grayville resident, died May 28 at his home near Ellendale, ND, of injuries suffered when he was caught between the frame and box of a dump truck at his farm. Funeral services were held June 1 at the Ellendale Presbyterian church, with Rev. Charles C. Converse officiating. Burial was in Ellendale cemetery, with military and Masonic lodge rites.

Mr. Staley was born on Jan. 11 near Crossville, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Staley. He attended the Grayville schools. In 1911, he moved to Ellendale with his parents. During WWI, Mr. Staley spent two years overseas. He was engaged in the livestock business until he moved to California in 1937. The family returned to Ellendale in 1950, and he had operated a farm near that city. Surviving are his wife; a ten-year-old daughter, Barbara; his mother, who lives in Carmi.

Karen Phillips, May 28, 1953 - May 30, 1953

Karen Phillips, two-day-old daughter of Dr. and Mrs. A.D. Phillips, of Carmi, former Grayville residents, died Saturday at Welborn Baptist hospital in Evansville, IN. The child was born May 28. An optometrist with offices here and at Carmi, Dr. Phillips and his wife lived here before moving to Carmi a few years ago.

Funeral services for the child were conducted by Rev. H.P. Aykens Sunday at a Carmi chapel. Burial was in IOOF cemetery at Marion. Surviving are the parents; a sister; the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H.L. Phillips and Mrs. Nellie Deering; and a great-grandfather, Alfred Phillips, all of Marion.

Susan [Mary] Roberts, Jan. 10, 1867 - June 3, 1953

Mrs. Susan Roberts, 87, of East St. Louis, step-mother of Minor Roberts, of Grayville, was found dead in bed at her home last Wednesday. Funeral services were held Friday at an East St. Louis chapel, with burial in Mt. Hope cemetery. Widow of Robert Roberts, she is survived by four sons, Arthur, Ottie, Milton, and Giltner, all of East St. Louis; a step-son, Minor, of Grayville; two daughters, Mrs. Ned Jenners, of LeMay, MO, and Mrs. Howard Clifford, of Calexico, CA; two brothers, two sisters, 14 grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren. Mr. and Mrs. Minor Roberts were in East St. Louis to attend the funeral.

[Livvie] Blanche McClellan, Jan. 7, 1873 - June 9, 1953

Mrs. Blanche McClellan, 80, died at 1:10 a.m. Tuesday at the Grayville Nursing home. A former resident of Rawson, OH, Mrs. McClellan had been critically ill for the past five weeks. She moved here to make her home with her daughter, Mrs. C.E. Myers, and husband, in April 1952.

The body was removed from the Sturm Funeral home yesterday and taken to Findlay, OH, for services at 2 p.m. today at the Coldren Funeral home. Burial was to be in Maple Grove cemetery in that city. Mrs. McClellan was the widow of Harry B. McClellan, who died last January. She was a member of the First Lutheran church at Findlay. Surviving are the daughter, Mrs. Myers, of Grayville; a son, Luther McClellan, of Rawson; two grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Orzo Waddle, Mar. 21, 1874 - July 1953

Ozro Waddle, 79, died Sunday morning at his home here after an illness of six weeks. Funeral services were held at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Sturm Funeral home, with Rev. James Owens officiating. Burial was in Oak Grove cemetery. A native of Spencer county, IN, Mr. Waddle had been a resident of Grayville for 25 years. He is survived by a daughter, Christie Waddle, of Grayville, and a sister, Mrs. Maggie MaMahel, of Birdseye, IN. He was a member of the Birdseye Methodist church.

Elsie York, Jan. 9, 1894 - July 1953

Mrs. Elsie York, 59, wife of Harry E. York, of Grayville, died Sunday afternoon at her home on North 2nd Street here. Mrs. York had been in failing health for two years, and entered Wabash General hospital at Mt. Carmel on June 24 to undergo an operation. She was brought to her home on July 4.

The body was removed to the Ingram Funeral home at Albion, where services were conducted Tuesday afternoon. Burial was in Oak Grove cemetery here. Rev. Lyle Berry, of Olney, and Rev. Carl H. Stone, pastor of North Side Baptist church, here, officiated at the services. Mrs. York was born on Jan. 9, 1894, in Posey county, IN, but has made her home here for number of years. She is survived by her husband.

Bessie *Baun* Gohn, 1888 - July 2, 1953

Mrs. Bessie Baun Gohn, a former resident of Grayville, died July 2 at her home in Freeport. Funeral services were held July 4 in that city. Mrs. Gohn was the daughter of the late William and Mary Baun. She was born and reared in Grayville.

Surviving are her husband, Gordon Gohn; four brothers, Allan Baun, of Michigan, Walter Baun of Indianapolis, IN, Fred and Carl Baun, both of Grayville; three sisters, Mrs. Mayme Holmes and Mrs. Pauline Munitz, of Freeport, and Mrs. Clara Hall, of this city. Walter and Alen Baun were in Freeport to attend the services.

Albert T. "Brownie" Wheeler, Dec. 21, 1907 - July 21, 1953

Albert T. (Brownie) Wheeler, 45, of Humboldt, a former Grayville resident and brother of Mrs. Earl Fraziedr, of this city, was injured fatally July 21 when a tire blew out, causing his truck to overturn near Coles station. Mr. Wheeler, who was Humboldt township tax assessor, was pronounced dead upon arrival at Mattoon Memorial hospital. Doctors said he suffered a broken neck and a skull fracture. Funeral services were held Friday afternoon at a Mattoon funeral home, with a Rev. Larry BeeBe officiating. Burial was in Odd Fellows cemetery at Humboldt.

Mr. Wheeler was a partner in the Wheeler Farm service and Wheeler Brothers oil and water service at Humboldt. He was elected tax assessor last April. Mr. Wheeler left Grayville nine years ago. He and his brother operated a truck garage at Crossville before they moved to Humboldt seven years ago. Surviving are his wife, Mary; two daughters, Mrs. Helen Denbo, of Matoon, and Janet, of Humboldt; and four sons, Robert, Daniel, Larry, and Billy, all at home. He also leaves three brothers, John, of Mattoon, Louis, of Humboldt, and Clancy, of Kevil, KY; seven sisters, Mrs. Frazier, of this city, Mrs. Oliver Teske, Mrs. Dorothy Wall, and Helen Wheeler, of St. Louis, Mrs. Mary Storey, of Oklahoma City, Mrs. Earl Shell, of Michigan, and Mrs. Ralph Madaker, of Moweaqua; and his father, Frank Wheeler, of North Little Rock, AR.

William F[ranklin] Pottoroff, Dec. 12, 1896 - July 26, 1953

William F. Pottorff [sic], 56, a resident of Grayville for many years, died Sunday afternoon at his home here. In ill health for over three years, Mr. Pottorff had been a patient several times at Indianapolis, IN, veteran's hospital. He had returned home only a few days before his death. A native of Burnt Prairie, Mr. Pottorff was born on Dec. 12, 1896, the son of William H. and Margaret Pottorff. He was a veteran of WWI, and belonged to the Grayville Masonic lodge, James M. Helm American Legion post, and the First Baptist church.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at the Sturm Funeral home, with Rev. R.W. Yow officiating. Burial was in Oak Grove cemetery. Surviving are his wife, Ava; two sons, Gerald, of Indianapolis, and William, Jr., of St. Louis; his mother, Mrs. Margaret Pottorff, of Grayville; a

brother, Carson, of Albion; two sisters, Mrs. Mary Whitecotton, of San Diego, CA, and Mrs. Rosie Tillett, of Grayville; a half-brother, Elvis Cox, of this city, and a half-sister, Mr. Anna Spafford, of Decatur. Pallbearers for the services were E.C. Gross, Leonard Mossberger, Chester Johnson, Dick Marvel, Junior Elliott, and Edward Mosbarger.

Harvey J. Johnson, Sept. 17, 1871 - Aug. 9, 1953

Harvey J. Johnson, 81, retired Grayville area farmer, died at 10 p.m. Sunday at Fairfield Memorial hospital. In ill health for several years, Mr. Johnson had been a patient in the hospital for a week. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Dwight Hazlett at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Sturm Funeral home here. Burial was in Oak Grove cemetery.

Mr. Johnson, who was born on Sept. 17, 1871, in Wabash county, was a member of the Golden Gate Christian church. He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Faye Broster, of Albion rural route, and Mrs. Opal Wardlow, of Topeka, KS; three sons, Lewis, of Sabonna, James J., of Grayville, and Eldon J., of San Diego, CA. He also leaves two brothers, Lewis, of Mt. Carmel, Edward, of Ft. Wayne, IN; 17 grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. Pallbearers for the services were Arthur Werzner, Lawrence Schmittler, Jim Eplin, Joe Butler, Maurice Schmittler, and Rolla Campbell.

Penelope A. Speck, Aug. 31, 1863 - Aug. 23, 1953

Mrs. Penelope A. Speck, 89, one of Grayville's oldest residents and widow of the late C.F. Speck, died Sunday morning at her home on North First street. In ill health for several years, Mrs. Speck had been a patient in Evansville and Mt. Carmel hospitals for several weeks, returning home a few days before her death. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. George Clementson, of Dayton, OH, at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the family residence. Burial was in Oak Hill cemetery at Evansville, IN.

Mrs. Speck was born on Aug. 31, 1863, at Poseyville, IN, the daughter of the late John and Mary Shelton. She was educated in Poseyville schools. Coming to Grayville in 1885, Mrs. Speck worked in the city post office and late in the Bowman Dry Good store before marrying C.F. Speck. At the time of her death, Mrs. Speck was one of the oldest living members of the First Presbyterian church. She also belonged to the Eastern Star lodge. The only surviving relative is Mrs. Mary Richardson, of Grayville. Pallbearers for the services were George Werzner, Joseph T. Scott, Russell Rudolph, W.S. Seil, Everett Alsop, and John Black.

Alice Keeling, 1885 - Sept. 25, 1953

Mrs. Alice Keeling, 68, wife of Charles F. Keeling, of Grayville, died at 8 a.m. Friday in Carmi township hospital. Mrs. Keeling, who was a patient in the hospital for six days, had been in ill health for about a year. Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Sunday at the Sturm Funeral home here, with Rev. H.G. Barnes and Rev. Charl H. Stone officiating. Burial was in Oak Grove cemetery.

Mrs. Keeling is survived by her husband; two daughters, Mrs. Dorothy Collins and Mrs. Alma Sweatt, both of Grayville; two sons, Wilbur and John Johnson, both of Grayville; and six grandchildren. Pallbearers for the services were Pearl Morris, Bill Fisk, Dale Scruggs, James Byford, Loren Martin, and Alfred Bradley.

W[illiam] W[esley] Schaich, Aug. 31, 1882 - Sept. 30, 1953

W.W. Schaich, 71, retired Grayville barber, died at 1:30 a.m. Wednesday at Richland Memorial hospital in Olney. In ill health for several years, Mr. Schiach had entered the hospital the day before his death. The body was returned to the Sturm Funeral home here, where it will lie in state until the services at 2:30 p.m. Friday at the First Christian church. Rev. Dwight Hazlett will officiate at the services. Burial will be at Oak Grove cemetery. The casket will not be opened at the funeral.

A native of Grayville, Mr. Schaich was born on Aug. 31, 1882. He became widely known here during his 35 years as a barber here, before he retired several years ago because of ill health. He is survived by his wife, Daphne; four daughters, Virginia, –linor, Mrs. Marjorie Kercher, and Mrs. Marcella Dobbs, all of Grayville; a brother, Edmond Schaich, of Moundsville, WV; and five grandchildren. Mr. Schaich was a member of the First Christian church for many years and served as an elder.

Loren [Edward] Martin, Apr. 3, 1912 - Oct. 11, 1953

Loren Martin, 41, of route 2, Crossville, died at 3 a.m. Sunday at his home a mile south of Calvin. Death was attributed to a heart attack. Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the North Side Baptist church here, with Rev. Carl H. Stone officiating. Burial was in Oak Grove cemetery. The Sturm Funeral home was in charge of arrangements. Mr. Martin, a life-long resident of Calvin community, had been a pumper for the Gulf Refining company for a number of years. He was a member of the North Side Baptist church and the Grayville Masonic lodge. An active church worker, he was a teacher of the men's Sunday school class.

Surviving are his wife, Edna; a daughter, Marilyn; and two sons, Norman and Glen, all at home; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Martin, of route 2, Crossville; and a brother, Vern, also of near Crossville. Pallbearers for the services were Pearl Morris, Bill Fisk, Claudie Jordan, Homer Wells, Dale Scruggs, and Alfred Bradley. Honorary pallbearers were employees of the Gulf Refining company.

Mary Catherine Ward, Oct. 29, 1953

Brief services for Mary Catherine Ward, stillborn daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Byrom Ward, of near Grayville, were held Friday afternoon at the Sturm Funeral home here. The child was born dead at 5:24 p.m. last Thursday at Carmi township hospital. Rev. James Owens officiated at the funeral services. Burail was in Oak Grove cemetery. Surviving are the parents, a sister, Beverly; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ward, of near Grayville, and Mrs. Benjamin Davis, of Snider, TX.

Robert Talbert, Mar. 6, 1883 - Oct. 30, 1953

Robert Talbert, 70-year-old retired Grayville carpenter, died at 1:15 p.m. last Thursday at his home on East Mill street. He had been in failing health for nearly four years. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. James Owens at 2 p.m. Saturday at the First Methodist church. Burial was in Oak Grove cemetery, with the sturm Funeral home in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Talbert, who was born on Mar. 6, 1883, at Carmi, had made his home here for a number of years. He was a member of the First Methodist church. Surviving are his wife, Lillibert; a daughter, Mrs. Ruther Elliott; two sons, Edward, of Madisonville, OH, and Robert, of Grayville; and two granddaughters. Pallbearers for the services were Fred Schoenman, Carl Baun, Bob Short, Wes Flatt, Walter Schmittler, and Arthur Werzner.

Hugh Canady, 1906 - Nov. 19, 1953

Hugh Canady, 47, manager of the Universal Butane company plant here, died at 2 a.m. today at Wabash General hospital. Canady, who had lived in Grayville for several years, was stricken by a heart attack yesterday morning, and was taken to the Mt. Carmel hospital.

Surviving are three sisters, a brother, and a daughter. The body was removed to the Short Funeral home, and arrangements were incomplete this morning.

Harry K. Hainz, Sept. 26, 1911 - Nov. 20, 1953

Harry Hainz, 42, partner in the — Dillard parlor has died unexpectedly Friday afternoon at West Salem. Mr. Hainz, who had gone to West Salem with a friend during the afternoon, was pronounced dead on arrival at the office of a West Salem physician, where he was taken after the attack. A coroner's jury ruled that death was due to a heart condition. Funeral services and burial were conducted at West Salem.

Mr. Hainz and his brother, Glen, have been in business here for 18 months. They operated a diner at Noble before coming to Grayville. He is survived by his wife, Imogene; his mother, Mrs. Maude Hainz, and his brother.

Stella E. Wick, Oct. 9, 1877 - Nov. 24, 1953

Mrs. Stella E. Wick, 78, life-long resident of Edwards county and wife of Ralph Wick, died Nov. 24 at the family home in Wick community, south of Albion. Funeral and burial services were conducted at Albion.

Mrs. Wick was born on Oct. 9, 1877, near Grayville, the daughter of Job and Caroline Johnson Etheridge. She and her husband were married on Oct. 18, 1899, and they moved into their present home 48 years ago. She was a member of Mt. Zion church in Edwards county for many years. Surviving are her husband; a daughter, Mrs. Genevieve Kershaw, of Ridge community; a sister, Mrs. Effie Johnson, of Grayville, and two granddaughters.

Warren B. Hall, Aug. 13, 1892 - Nov. 25, 1953

Warren B. Hall, 61, a native of Grayville and son of Mrs. Clara Hall, of this city, died at 12:10 p.m. last Wednesday in St. Vincent's hospital in Toledo, O. He had been ill for 12 days. The body was brought to the Sturm Funeral home here, and services were conducted by Rev. Dwight Hazlett at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday at the First Christian church. Burial was in Oak Grove cemetery.

Mr. Hall was born here on Aug. 13, 1892. He was a grain inspector for the Toledo board of trade, and had made his home in Ohio for 42 years. He was a veteran of World War I. Surviving, besides his mother, are two sisters, Mrs. Nora Domar, of Indianapolis, IN, and Mrs. Mary Dorris,

of Taylor Center, MI. Pallbearers for the services were William Wheatcroft, Lloyd Gill, James Orr, Joseph Scott, Allison Williams, and Bob Mosbarger.

Lucille O'Neal, Aug. 8, 1900 - Nov. 29, 1953

Mrs. Lucille O'Neal, 53, wife of Joe O'Neal, died early Sunday morning at the family home in Grayville. Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Sturm Funeral home here, with Bro. William Reed officiating. Burial was in Oak Grove cemetery. Born on Aug. 8, 1900, at Eureka, KS, Mrs. O'Neal was a member of the Grayville Church of Christ.

Surviving are her husband; two sons, Lonnie McDaniel, of Hobbs, NM, and Norman McDaniel, of Henderson, KY; three sisters, Mrs. Lennie Roe, Mrs. May Olds, both of Eureka, and Mrs. Emma Smith, of Reese, KS; a brother, Max Casto, of Eldorado; and six grandchildren. Pallbearers for the services were James Pearson, Alva Keeling, H.E. Acker, Chuck Smith, Herschel Satterfield, and E.C. Gross.

Fred "Pat" Lehman, Oct. 2, 1883 - Dec. 2, 1953

Fred "Pat" Lehman, 70, of Grayville, died at 10:45 a.m. Wednesday at Carmi township hospital, soon after being admitted as a patient. Mr. Lehman, who lived at the Grayville Nursing home, had been in ill health for several months. He had been hospitalized three times in recent weeks.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday at the Sturm Funeral home here, with Rev. H.G. Barnes officiating. Burial will be in Oak Grove cemetery. Mr. Lehman is survived by a sister, Mrs. Ada Stum, of Grayville, and two nieces. A twin brother, Ed Lehman, died last April. Mr. Lehman was a former member of the Grayville fire department.

Jacob Rudolph, Sept. 18, 1862 - Dec. 2, 1953

Jacob Rudolph, a former resident of Grayville, died at 4:30 a.m. Wednesday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Sam Fieber, in Evansville, IN. Funeral services are scheduled for 2 p.m. Friday at the Lowe's funeral home in Evansville. Mr. Rudolph is survived by his wife, Lizzie, and daughter.

Alice Nelson, Dec. 3, 1859 - Dec. 3, 1953

Mrs. Alice Nelson, whose 94th birthday was today, died this morning at the home of a son, Chester Nelson, near Oakland City, IN. Mrs. Nelson, widow of the late George Nelson, had been staying at the home of her son. She and her husband formerly lived near Bump's crossing, and she moved to Grayville following the death of Mr. Nelson.

The body was brought to the Sturm Funeral home here, and arrangements for services were incomplete this morning. Surviving are the son, Chester; one grandson, and two great-grandchildren. The daughter of John and Margaret Davis Coulter, Mrs. Nelson was a member of the Presbyterian church.

Lucy Ann Heniken, Mar 24, 1873 - Dec. 13, 1953

Mrs. Lucy Ann Heniken, 80, a former resident of Grayville, died at 8:30 a.m. Sunday at Medina, O., where she had lived for several years. The body was brought to the Sturm Funeral home

here Wednesday for services at 2 p.m. Thursday. Rev. Dwight Hazlett was to officiate, and burial was to be in Antioch cemetery, near Cowling. Mrs. Heniken is survived by a son, Serno, of Medina; two daughters, Mrs. Dorothy Brune, of Medina, and Mrs. Eleanor Maher, of Skokie; three grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Zillah Sawyer, Mar. 29, 1895 - Dec. 14, 1953

Funeral services for Mrs. Zillah Sawyer, 58, wife of Roy Sawyer, of Grayville, were held last Wednesday afternoon at West Village church in Edwards county. Rev. Clifford Corbort, of Vincennes, IN, officiated at the services. Burial was in West Village cemetery. Mrs. Sawyer died on Dec. 14 at the family residence here She had been in failing health since July.

A native of Edwards county, Mrs. Sawyer was born on Mar. 29, 1895. She was the daughter of the late Adam and Mary Barnhart. Most of her life, except for the last nine years, was spent in West Village community. As a girl, Mrs. Sawyer united with Pleasant Hill Christian church, but in 1940, she was baptised into the Apostolic Pentecostal faith. Surviving are her husband, five children, William K., of Reelsville, IN, James R., of Noble, Mary Elizabeth, of Odessa, TX, and Donald D., of Grayville; nine grandchildren. She also leaves three brothers, Herb Barnhart, of Bone Gap, George Barnhart, of Albion, and three sisters, Mrs. Clara Howey, of Olney, Mrs. Tessie Balding, of Kissimmee, FL, and Mrs. Huldah Holt, of Tulsa, OK.

[John] Ervin Robbins, Jan. 2, 1895 - Dec. 28, 1953

Ervin Robbins, 58, of Grayville, died at 12:55 a.m. Monday at Carmi township hospital of a stroke suffered Christmas eve. Mr. Robbins was stricken last Thursday while at work at the Warren Petroleum company plant, south of Grayville. A veteran of WWI, Mr. Robbins was a member of James M. Helm American Legion post here.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Erma Voight, of Louisville, KY, Mrs. Rojean Sims, of Mt. Carmel, and Mrs. Reba Tice, of New Castle, WY; a son, James [Jesse}, of Grayville; a sister, Mrs. Ethel Temple, of Danville; two half-brothers, Claud and Nolen Robbins, of Sesser; and three grandchildren. Rev. Clyde Campbell, of Crossville, conducted services at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Sturm Funeral home here. Burial was in Oak Grove cemetery, with James M. Helm American Legion post in charge of rites. Pallbearers were Dale Keener, Virgil Kendrick, Carl Walker, Rufus Rose, Forrest Shepherd, Lewis Myers.